(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) During the current financial year 2008-09, so far the State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Gujarat, Punjab, Rajasthan, Manipur, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand have sought additional funds, over and above the allocations made under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme), so as to meet their police modernization needs. Release of additional funds will, however, depend upon allocation of additional funds under the Scheme by Ministry of Finance at the Revised Estimates, 2008-09 stage and also on submission of utilization certificates in respect of funds released earlier upto 2006-07.

Crisis infrastructure to tackle terror attacks

1790. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to put in place a crisis infrastructure to tackle terrorist attacks;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The Government is pursuing a multi-pronged strategy to deal with the challenges posed by the activities of terrorists/insurgents/extremists in various parts of the country, including measures on the political, security and development fronts. The various measures taken on the security fronts, *inter-alia,* include vigilance and patrolling on the borders to check infiltration and illegal cross-border activities, deployment of Central Forces to aid the State Police Forces in areas prone to terrorist violence, heightened vigil and security arrangements in and around vital installations, strengthening of intelligence gathering and sharing capabilities, particularly at the cutting edge level, upgradation and modernization of Central and State Police Forces, assistance for raising India Reserve Battalions, including 2 Coys as Commando units with additional assistances for equipments, training *etc.*, re-imbursement of various types of Security Related Expenditure (SRE) to the State Governments, various initiatives at the bilateral and multi-lateral cooperation to deal with the global imperatives of terrorism. The Government has also decided to locate National Security Guards (NSG) Units in a few regional hubs and to draw upon the Commando Units of the Armed forces to create more regional hubs until a decision is taken to locate NSG Units in those hubs too; in principle decision has been taken to create a Coastal Command for overall supervision and coordination of maritime and coastal security; and it has been decided to set up 20 Counter-Insurgency and Anti-Terrorism schools in various parts of the country for imparting Commando training to State Police forces.

(c) Does not arise.